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Abstract

An adapter, which allows the use of a complex multielectrode pacing and sensing cardiac lead with a conventional onechannel cardiac pacing pulse generator has a connector that attaches to
the multi-electrode cardiac lead, a multiplexer to select which of the
electrodes of the multi-electrode cardiac lead are to be connected to the
one channel cardiac pacing pulse generator, and a connector to connect
the adapter to a connector such as the industry standard IS-1 connector.
New therapies are developing requirements for both optimum-site pacing
(rather than the traditional ventricular apex) and multi-site pacing to
improve cardiac hemodynamics. These therapies require custom pulse
generators that are capable of connecting to the multiple-electrode
configurations required. This adapter allows a conventional one-channel
cardiac pacing pulse generator to be connected to a multi-electrode
cardiac lead and steers the output pulse to the desired set of electrodes.

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